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### RELEASE OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT



### **Final EIS**

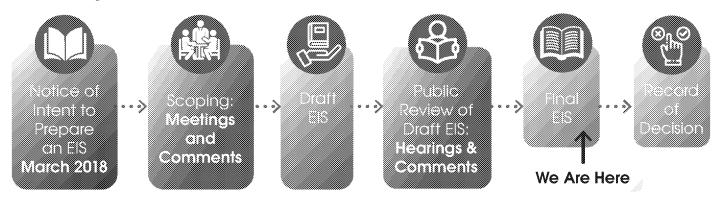
The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has completed the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the review of Pebble Limited Partnership's (PLP's) permit application for the proposed discharge of fill material into waters of the United States and activities in navigable waters.

The Final EIS is intended to disclose the likely impacts both beneficial and detrimental, caused by PLP's proposed discharges and activities and reasonable alternatives.

The Final EIS is not a permit decision and does not authorize the mine construction or mine plan of operations.

The Final EIS will be used to inform decisions for USACE's authorities under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act.

The Final EIS is available for download at www.PebbleProjectEIS.com.





# How Was the Final EIS Developed?

USACE received PLP's application in December 2017 and initiated the development of the EIS. USACE conducted scoping in 2018. During scoping USACE distributed informational materials to tribes and other stakeholders, and held 9 public meetings. USACE used the issues and concerns raised by the public's nearly 175K scoping comments to inform the range of alternatives and develop the analytical framework of the document. A scoping report summarizing the information is available on the public website (pebbleprojecteis.com).

Throughout development of the EIS, USACE collaborated with cooperating agencies which included:

- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Department of Interior's National Park Service, Fish and Wildlife Service, and Bureau of Safety & Environmental Enforcement
- U.S. Department of Transportation's Pipeline & Hazardous Materials Safety Administration
- U.S. Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

- Curyung Tribal Council
- Nondalton Tribal Council
- Lake & Peninsula Borough
- State of Alaska

The draft EIS was released for a 90 day public review period in February 2019. USACE held 9 public hearings and received approximately 116K comments on the document. Comments were reviewed and analyzed by the cooperating agency team through multiple series of technical meetings and responses to comments are documented in the Final EIS's Comment Analysis Report.

The Final EIS analyzes the potential impacts of four action alternatives and a "No Action" alternative and will be used to inform decisions under multiple federal authorities.

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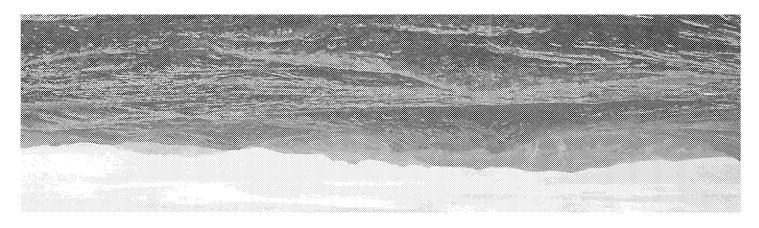
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The Record of Decision will be completed no sooner than 30 days after the Motice of Availability for the Final EIS is published in the Federal Register.

The USACE will use the information in the Final HIS to inform their determinations under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act.



The USACE's findings and permit decision will be recorded in a Record of Decision.



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